

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CURTIS LYNN STEELE,
Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Defendant.

NO. C05-2511 TEH

ORDER RELATING AND
CONSOLIDATING CASES

B.I.S.,
Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Defendant.

NO. C05-4305 JSW

JOHN DEMARTINI, as Guardian Ad
Litem for B.I.S., R.A.D., and C.M.S.,
Plaintiffs,

v.

LAKE COUNTY TRIBAL HEALTH
CONSORTIUM, et al.,
Defendants.

NO. C05-4399 WHA

The Court is in receipt of sua sponte judicial referrals to consider whether the above three cases are related and the stipulation of the parties in all three cases to relate, reassign, and consolidate the cases. After carefully reviewing the complaints in each case, as well as

1 the parties' stipulation, the Court finds good cause to relate all three cases under Civil Local
2 Rule 3-12. The Court also finds good cause to grant the parties' stipulation to consolidate
3 these actions. Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above three cases are
4 related, and that Case Nos. C05-4305 JSW and C05-4399 WHA should be reassigned to this
5 Court.

6 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that these three cases shall be consolidated for all
7 purposes, including trial, without prejudice to any party's filing a motion to bifurcate. All
8 parties should be aware that trial has already been scheduled to begin in Case No. C05-2511
9 on Tuesday, March 27, 2007. Counsel shall access the docket in Case No. C05-2511 to
10 retrieve copies of this Court's standing orders and order for pretrial preparation. Counsel in
11 all cases shall also register to receive notice of filings in Case No. C05-2511, as that case
12 shall be designated the lead case. In addition, counsel are instructed that all future filings in
13 the reassigned cases are to bear the initials "TEH" immediately after the case number.

14 A case management conference for all three cases shall be held on **Monday,**
15 **February 6, 2006, at 1:30 PM.** The parties shall file a joint case management conference
16 statement on or before **January 30, 2006.**

17 Counsel in the two reassigned cases shall meet and confer regarding initial
18 disclosures, early settlement, ADR process selection, and discovery plan on or before
19 **January 16, 2006.** Counsel shall also file by **January 16, 2006,** a joint ADR certification
20 with stipulation to ADR process or notice of need for ADR phone conference. Counsel shall
21 complete initial disclosures or state objections in the Rule 26(f) report and file and serve their
22 Rule 26(f) reports on or before **January 30, 2006.** The currently pending motion in Case
23 No. C05-4305 must be re-noticed by the moving party for hearing in this Court.

24 Finally, the Court reminds counsel in all three cases of their obligation to protect
25 personal privacy under Civil Local Rule 3-17. In particular, Civil Local Rule 3-17(a)(2)
26 provides that "[i]f the involvement of a minor child must be mentioned in a pleading or other
27 paper filed in the public file, only the initials of that child should be used." Counsel and the
28 parties are solely responsible for redacting the personal identifiers listed in Civil Local Rule

1 3-17(a), and “[t]he Clerk will not review each pleading or other paper for compliance with
2 this rule.” Civ. L.R.3-17(e).

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4 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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6 Dated: 11/15/05



THELTON E. HENDERSON, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT